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Since the last issue your editor has travelled to Greece and England, then attended the RPSC Annual show at Toronto, and directed PIPEX '85 at Vancouver. He is now paying for all this by trying to catch up on this and other duties. Most of our current News letter will be taken up with Annex No. 3 to Lew's book - which he unveiled at PIPEX. In the small space available after this is printed, we will try to bring you up to date on other matters.

JAPAN - It seems this Study Group must have one member in Japan. Lew has now settled in the States, so Rick Parama of Edmonton has now moved there for a year or so. Rick's address is - 302 Sonoda Yamate House, 11 Suwa Cho, Naka-ku, Yokohama 231, Japan.

NEW MEMBERS- We would like to welcome three new members -

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INDEX - Jim Felton has provided an index to the Volume and Issue numbers where survey and hammer data may be found for all the Newfoundland (N) runs in the Newsletters -

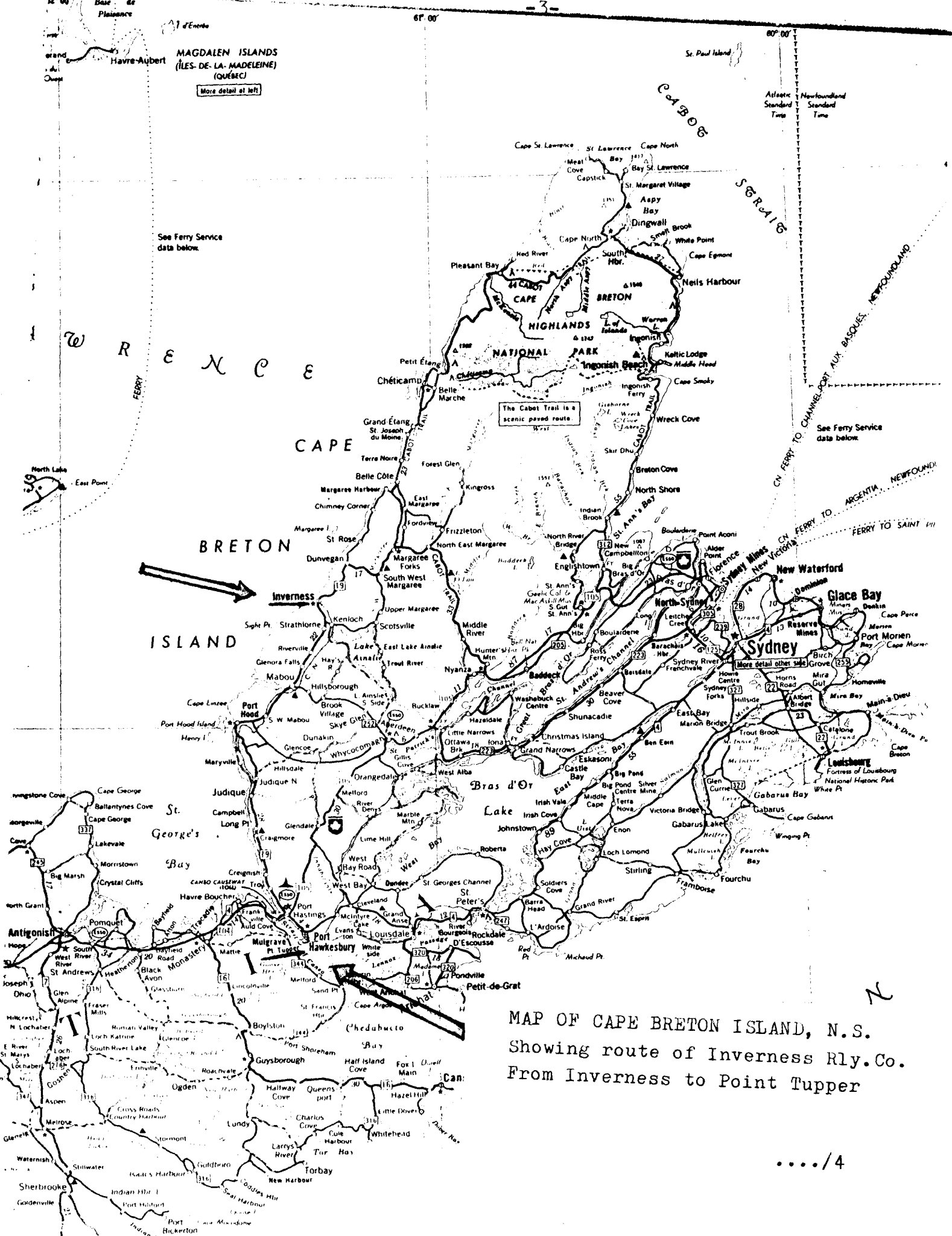
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3	-1	33	-3	62B	IX-1	96	-1
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7	-1	40	-3	70	-3	104	-2
8	-1	41	-3	71	-3	105	-1
9	-1	42	-3	72	-3	106	-2
10	-1	43	-3	73	-3	107	-2
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INVERNESS RAILWAY AND COAL COMPANY

by John C. Hornsby

- 1874 - May 7 Incorporation of Inverness Railway Company, with authorization to construct a railway from The Strait of Canso to Broad Cove.
- 1875 - May 6 Name changed to Inverness Coal Field and Ry. Co.
- 1876 - April 4 Name changed to Inverness Coal, Iron and Railway Company.
- 1887 - May 3 Inverness and Richmond Railway Company, Limited was incorporated to construct a railway from the district of Margaree to Mabou, and Port Hood, and Port Hawkesbury; with a branch to Whycomagh.
- 1901 - June 15 Railway line opened from Inverness to junction with The Intercolonial Railway at Point Tupper; 60.53 miles.
- Mention is made in the statutes for the Province of Nova Scotia, that Inverness and Richmond Railway Company, Limited had constructed and was operating a line of railway from Broad Cove to Point Tupper by way of Port Hastings; also that 'Inverness-Richmond Collieries and Railway Company of Canada, Limited', was incorporated under the provision of the Nova Scotia Companies Act, for the purpose of, among other things, acquiring and operating coal mines, and that it had acquired certain coal lands and interests therein, and was at that time operating certain coal mines at Broad Cove.
- 1902 - March 27 The foregoing two companies agreed to transfer assets and properties of the Collieries Company to the Railway Company, following which the name would be changed to 'Inverness Railway and Coal Company'.

Note: The line is still active today and is known as the Inverness Subdivision, CN Rail, totalling 55.3 miles; Pt. Hastings - Inverness



MAGDALENE ISLANDS
(LES-DE-LA-MADELEINE)
(QUEBEC)
More detail at left

See Ferry Service data below.

The Cabot Trail is a scenic paved route.

See Ferry Service data below.

MAP OF CAPE BRETON ISLAND, N.S.
Showing route of Inverness Rly. Co.
From Inverness to Point Tupper

After almost three years since the publication of the Catalogue of Canadian Railway Cancellations in 1982, we find the flow of new information is being somewhat subjected to the law of diminishing returns. Since the total quantity of data as yet undiscovered is finite, it follows that as we approach such finite position, the flow of input must of necessity decelerate. In point of fact, only one category - New Dates - exceeds the individual sections that were presented a year ago in Annex II. On the other hand, the amount of new data is still impressive.

In summary, for Annex III, we have 7 new reporters, 55 previously unknown new listings, 2 confirmations of listings previously unconfirmed and 2 initial reports of listings known previously only from their proof strikes. We are pleased to advise that in the last year there have been no relistings of entries previously delisted. Additionally we have recorded 119 new earliest or latest dates of periods of use, 62 new train numbers and 23 new direction or time marks. Our program of upgrading the accuracy of the catalogue continues with 16 corrections being documented herewith.

NEW REPORTERS

Thirty six (36) different reporters contributed the data making up Annex III, including seven (7) new collectors who had not previously submitted information for our records.

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| 239. D. E. P. Harding | 241. R. B. Winmill | 244. J. Benningen |
| 240. W. P. Graham | 242. M. Beaupre | 245. J. C. Campbell |
| | 243. G. Arthur | |

NEW LISTINGS

The following 55 major & minor new listings include a few classic R.P.O.s on stamp. We particularly call attention to Q-35A, Q-236 and S-121e. Additionally, there are a number of vintage clerk strikes that we commend to the attention of all specialists. For those updating their catalogues with this new data, be sure to cross-reference the train number section and the alphabetical name sections for clerks, steamers and ticket stamp towns, since this information is not elsewhere duplicated. Dates are in the American style - "month / day / year".

Listing #	Cancellation	Type	Tr./Dir.	Period	R.F.	Reporters
MA-132A	HALIFAX & SYDNEY DAY / H. A. TINKHAM	8E	6	2/19/37	500	146
MA-219	ST. JOHN & MONTREAL / J. C. KEE	6E	16	3/25/24	500*	208
MA-234A	ST. JOHN & VANCEBORO R.P.O. / G. A. ROBINSON	7B	8	12/22/??	500	208
Q-35A	TRAIN No. / Lake Meg. & Tring R.P.O.	5I	2	2/23/20	500*	133
Q-46E	LEVIS & MONT / J. W. L. RIOUX	22G	1	3/2/40	500	208
Q-52Ad	JOS. LABRECQUE / LEVIS & SHERBROOKE	6G	5	6/25/1?	500*	133
Q-161T	MONT. & TORONTO / J. H. F. POIRIER (Change to Q-173Bm, add ("-""))	12A	19	7/23/43	500	208
Q-173B	MON. & TOR. / J. N. COTE ("&")	12A	19	3/ 2/40	500	208
Q-173Bc	QUEBEC-&-R-DU-LOUP-M.C. No. / -	4D		7/ 4/73	500*	242

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Code	Description	no date	500	151
O-76Dd	FT. WM. & WPG. / R.P.O. / E. KRENTZ	2/16/14	500	151
O-106C	Ham. & Meaford R.P.O. / F.M. Bell, M. C. (Change to O-160Ba, ("-"))		500*	207
O-160B	Lon & South / CAMPBELL ("&")		500	16
O-160Bc	Toronto & London / J. T. WILSON	3/29/??	500	208
O-353Z	TORONTO, LON. & WIND. / J. F. WITHERSPOON	11/27/22	500*	207
O-355T	TOR. & N. BAY R.P.O. / R. N. McCLURE	1/13/40	500	208
O-385C	TOR. & N. BAY / M. E. Proctor	3/12/40	500	208
O-385J	TOR. & O. SOUND / G. S. FULTON, M.C.	3/ 2/??	500	208
O-393C	TOR. ST. M. & LON. / W. E. MURPHY	8/22/11	500*	142
O-399A		4/11/23	500*	207
W-23C	CAL. & EDM. TR. /	1c Adm.	500	108
W-23Hg	CAL. & ED. R.P.O. / E. J. WALES	4/ 6/49	500	208
W-26Ek	CAL. & VAN. R.P.O. / W. DAWSON	7/ 8/41	500	151
W-26Hc	CAL. & VAN. R.P.O. / - W. A. Crighton -	5/15/41	500	151
W-26Tm	CAL. & VAN. R.P.O. / J. A. McLEOD	12/27/??	500	146
W-43H	ED. & PR. GEO. R.P.O. / C. JENNINGS, R. M. C.	1/ 2/48	500	208
W-65Z	LEITH. & CAL / C. G. DUTHIE	1/11/49	500	208
W-72Z	FROM M. H. & CRAN. R.P.O. /	9/ 2/52	500	151
W-75A	Med. Hat & Nelson R.P.O. / LEO DOWD, M.C.	5/ 9/13	500*	151
W-83Gc	M H & N / N. MC CARGAR	6/29/48	500	208
W-84Ag	MOOSE JAW DISTRICT / A. A. MacDonald	1/17/49	475	208
W-87G	V. A. ARMSTRONG / M. J. & Cal. R.P.O.	3/19/49	500	208
W-91F	(Change to W-91Fh)	6/ ?/48	500	16
W-91Fm	M. JAW & SHAUN R.P.O. / H. A. MILES	1/20/40	500	162
W-91J	M. JAW - SHAUN., R.P.O. / V. H. WEBB	12/25/48	500	208
W-91K	Moose Jaw & Shaunavon R.P.O. / J. NEAL	1/20/40	500	162
W-102R	N. PORTAL & M. JAW R.P.O. / F. L. HAIGH	1/21/40	500	162
W-116H	REG HUD BAY / A. KENNEDY	4/22/??	500	208
W-146N	From SASK. - WALIN. & ED. / M. E. A. MAXIMCHUK	1/26/??	500	208
W-169E	WEY. & ASSA., R.P.O. / F. R. DAWSON	1/20/40	500	162
W-169F	WEY. & ASS. R.P.O. / A. KINGWELL	1/20/40	500	162
W-196E	WPG. & M. JAW R.P.O. / G. HOUDE	1/16/40	500	162
W-213A	YORKTON & SASKATOON R.P.O. / W. J. COOKSEY	5/28/20	500*	142
TS-5	J. D. McINNIS / TRAIN (#). S. DIV.	2/13/37	500	146
TS-8	RAILWAY MAIL SERVICE / ST. JOHN, N. B.	1/13/18	500*	235
TS-20h	C. N. RYS. / HUNTSVILLE, / ONT.	5/ 6/39	500	151
TS-20t	C. N. RYS. / ST. THOMAS, / ONT (C)	3/31/45	500	244
TS-60v	CANADIAN PACIFIC / RAILWAY / SCHULER, / ALTA	4/15/57	500	244
TS-61n	CANADIAN PACIFIC / RAILWAY / P. RAWDEN / AGENT/RIDGETOWN, Ont.		500	
TS-80	(Change to TS-80w)	9/ 2/15	500*	151
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TS-80b	GRAND TRUNK RY. / SYSTEM / Brown Hill, Ont	1J	500*	179
TS-92	INTERCOLONIAL RY. / DARTMOUTH	3D	500*	207
TS-98	(Change to TS-98b)			16
TS-98r	I. C. R'Y / ROTHESAY	6F	500*	207
TS-105	(Change to TS-105s)			16
TS-105t	L. & P. S. Ry. / TALBOT ST. / ST. THOMAS. ONT.	1E	500	244
S-107d	C. N. RYS / M. V. BURIN	1E	500#	23
S-121e	CANADIAN PACIFIC / RAILWAY / STEAMER / PRINCESS ROYAL	1J	500*	158
S-150	CANADIAN PACIFIC / STEAMSHIPS LTD. / S/S Empress of Australia	1A	500#	179
S-257	PURSER'S OFFICE / S. S. PRINCE HENRY	1A	500#	151
E-69	DISTRICT QUEBEC - EST / TEMPORAIRE	35J	400	145
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" O. P. K.", LISTINGS CONFIRMED

The following listings, known previously only from their proof strike, have now been confirmed. Knowing that both of these ex should send our specialists searching through their used material of the 1920-1928 period.

MA-246	TRURO & ANNAPOLIS R.P.O. / .	17	E	1/23/??	500*	156
W-111A	P. GEORGE & P. RUPERT R.P.O. / B. C.	17F	W	3c br. Adm. 12/19/28	500*	146

" NO REPORT " LISTINGS CONFIRMED.

With these two confirmations, we have now had a total of 25 "no report" listings verified in three years out of some 140 published in the original catalogue, somewhat less than 20%. With the passage of time without confirmation the remaining 80% and over become more suspect. The following descriptions are exact representations.

Q-206A	QUE. GARN. JCT. & MONT. R.P.O. / H. W. Laprise	17J	109	3/2/49	500	142
TS-272	SOUTH EASTERN R. R / . GLEN SUTTON .	3D		10/ 8/86 6/ 6/87	500*	63A 162

NEW EARLIEST AND LATEST DATES FOR PERIOD OF USE

Following are approximately 120 new earliest and latest dates of use, upgrading the 1982 Catalogue, plus the two previous annex supplements. These changes reflect movements from one calendar year to another and with the resultant enlargement of the use period may - but not always - result in a change in the rarity factor of the listing. As with the New Listings, dates given are in the order of "month / day / year".

Listing #	Status	Date	New R.F.	Reporters	Listing #	Status	Date	New R.F.	Reporters
N-20	Earliest	10/15/23	375	197	W-7	Latest	1/10/07	No change	101
N-69	Earliest	11/20/41	425	197	W-7F	Earliest	12/15/52	475	151
N-89	Latest	4/ 1/55	375	101	W-8A	Latest	5/17/55	475	151
N-98	Earliest	7/28/39	No change	32	W-15	Earliest	4/30/25	330	151
N-124	Earliest	7/24/18	No change	151	W-17	Earliest	2/ 2/25	100	16
N-124	Latest	10/19/18	No change	151	W-26Eg	Earliest	10/15/10	500	142
MA-38	Earliest	6/12/18	155	156	W-26Fc	Earliest	2/ 6/47	300	208
MA-87	Latest	2/ 2/50	245	150	W-26Ia	Earliest	5/28/60	400	151
MA-161	1st-Latest	11/ 2/19	100	208	W-26M	Earliest	7/18/42	425	151
MA-166	Latest	5/30/10	215	181	W-27F	Earliest	5/17/41	450	151
MA-176	Latest	7/16/68	325	142	W-27J	1st Date	3/27/57	No change	183
MA-229a	(Establish existing dates as 2nd Period)				W-38Ba	Earliest	9/11/53	No change	151
MA-229a	1st-Earliest	7/ 5/87	300	142	W-46	Earliest	11/15/28	No change	16
MA-229a	1st-Latest	8/18/88	300	142	W-56B	Earliest	9/23/59	450	239
Q-52Cb	Earliest	10/ 7/12	No change	16	W-57	Earliest	3/12/17	250	101
Q-55A	Earliest	8/12/22	475	142	W-60A	Latest	1/ 9/65	180	151
Q-74	Latest	1/ 8/21	No change	151	W-64A	Earliest	11/24/45	No change	23
Q-92b	Latest	12/22/30	425	207	W-67A	Latest	1/ 5/54	260	16
Q-149Ab	Earliest	4/ 4/29	475	142	W-77C	Earliest	12/27/36	400	146
Q-167Cb	Latest	5/18/40	440	151	W-83C	Earliest	7/ 1/48	450	209
Q-195A	Latest	4/ 7/98	350	142	W-91D	Earliest	1/21/30	400	207
Q-233	Latest	6/25/73	450	242	W-102J	Earliest	10/21/34	No change	243
Q-234	1st-Earliest	11/17/91	500	32	W-115Tb	Latest	1/10/49	435	208
Q-234	1st-Latest	5/ 5/92	500	16					
Q-264B	Latest	?/27/21	330	142					
O-26	Earliest	7/15/21	240	156					
O-72	Latest	6/ 2/62	110	228					
O-104	Latest	3/21/60	No change	151					
O-107G	Latest	9/15/56	450	151					
O-138A	Latest	1/27/71	400	151					
O-187	Earliest	10/27/24	205	16					
O-225	Latest	11/19/15	150	142					
O-229	Latest	8/ 5/61	500	151					
O-235	Latest	3/10/17	160	151					
O-282	Earliest	9/12/21	440	142					
O-285	Latest	4/ 2/20	215	142					
O-378	Earliest	11/24/20	No change	16					
O-408	Latest	1/ 6/31	No change	142					

Listing #	Status	Date	New R.F.	Reporters	Listing #	Status	Date	New R.F.	Reporters
-127I	Latest	3/17/66	250	142	RR-132	Latest	1/24/13	450	151
-140Bb	Latest	3/ 5/49	420	208	RR-193	Earliest	12/ ?/72	500	216
-169	Earliest	9/19/19	110	208					
-179C	Latest	4/ 2/57	200	207	TS-22a	Latest	4/13/39	450	151
-180J	Latest	6/25/49	450	208	TS-60d	Earliest	6/12/18	500	208
-188	Latest	4/ 6/49	450	208	TS-60g	Earliest	10/28/06	No change	23
-193Db	Earliest	3/19/51	390	183	TS-90b	Latest	2/22/88	450	228
-196Ca	Latest	1/12/55	No change	183	TS-184j	Latest	7/26/37	450	197
-196Cb	Latest	2/15/55	480	183	TS-184s	Latest	10/ 5/40	425	197
-203A	Earliest	11/ 4/61	400	151					
-205A	Latest	5/21/58	140	239	S-121C	Earliest	3/ 8/07	No change	151
-26Bc	Earliest	8/20/22	105	231	S-139b	Latest	2/ 3/49	400#	151
-30a var.	Earliest	1/27/12	450	183	S-191i	Latest	9/26/48	450#	179
-30e	Latest	8/ 9/27	250	151					
-30m	Latest	5/28/28	275	151	DD-96	Latest	7/23/00	No change	142
-57a	Earliest	3/12/17	260	101	E-15	New Date	6/21/32	450	151
-102Z	Earliest	8/16/09	No change	245	E-25	New Dates	6/28/43	350	208
							8/15/47		151
RR-18	Latest	1/ 3/81	No change	216			1/ 8/85		151
RR-23	Earliest	12/24/85	No change	184	E-35	New Date	5/30/62	335	228
RR-46	Earliest	9/26/87	230	184	E-44	New Date	6/27/59	220	228
RR-69	Earliest	12/16/84	No change	142	E-56	New Date	6/22/83	450	208
RR-75	Earliest	11/ 8/59	No change	142	E-90	New Date	8/31/71	No change	174
RR-83	Earliest	11/17/79	325	142	E-95	New Dates	2/ 2/54	200	151
RR-89	Latest	5/ 5/73	No change	207			4/30/54		
RR-93	Latest	8/27/88	500	142			6/ 4/54		
RR-94	Latest	2/11/82	No change	142			12/20/54		
RR-96	Earliest	8/10/74	400	240			6/10/57		
RR-97	Earliest	10/18/97	275	239			4/ 4/58		
RR-113	Earliest	4/ 8/80	300	142			4/18/60		
RR-118	Latest	10/ 8/86	450	142					

NEW TRAIN NUMBERS

Presented herewith are 62 new Train numbers reported in the last year. A point has been made - with merit - that some of our train numbers are impossible for the indicated listings and cannot be confirmed by published train schedules. It is our effort to limit such errors to those that have been made by the clerk (which must be listed), as opposed to mis-readings of the cancellation (which must not be listed). We must defer our listing of combination train numbers/direction marks; this annex is being prepared in Japan, and such data is now at our home in Kirkland.

Train No.	Listing #	Reporters	Train No.	Listing #	Reporters	Train No.	Listing #	Reporters
1	0-188	142	7	W-111d	151	51	Q-164	174
	0-256	142	8	O-201B	228	59	Q-176	228
	0-341	142	11	MA-92	174	60	W-7F	151
	W-30a	142	13	W-77C	146	62	W-91D	207
	W-30m	239	14	W-30c	142	67	W-30e	142
2	W-30A	151		W-30e	183		W-87	142
	Q-45C	137	14	W-26Ba	142		O-360	142
	W-26Eg	142	16	W-30m	142	73	O-202	174
	W-39	239	16	W-56B	239	95	O-51	142
3	O-225	142	19	W-180J	208	97	O-238	142
	W-26Eg	23		MA-113	151	103	W-127I	142
	W-27F	151	24	Q-43	174	112	MA-241	23
	W-180Cd	183	26	W-142A	142	159	Q-164	23
	W-193Db	183	28	O-409	142	427	O-201B	142
5	W-196Ca	183	26	O-413	23	503	Q-122A	142
	W-196Gb	183	28	Q-156	23	611	O-316	23
	W-60A	151	30	W-208	142	652	O-104	151
	W-113B	142	32	W-55	239	676	O-384	208
	W-30a	142	35	Q-151C	142			
	W-30j	142	36	Q-149Ab	142			
	W-30n	142	49	O-262	174			
	W-60B	142						
	W-102	239						

NEW DIRECTION AND TIME MARKS

The following previously unrecorded marks have now been confirmed; as with the new dates, no rarity factors are involved.

Listing #	Dir./T.M.	Reporters	Listing #	Dir./T.M.	Reporters	Listing #	Dir./T.M.	Reporters
N-54	2	142	O-350	E	174	W-43	E	239
MA-38	S	142	W-7A	W	239	W-125T	W	142
MA-49	AM	142	W-12B	WEST	162	W-190	PM	142
MA-159	NORTH	181	W-17	E	142, 239	RR-86	EAST	208
Q-63	○	216	W-33	E	142	RR-89	EAST	207
Q-167B	D.W.	142	W-38	W	239	RR-187	N	142
O-14A	N	207	W-38	N	239	DD-30	17	174

CORRECTIONS TO CATALOGUE

The following changes to the 1982 catalogue are most minor in character; however, we present them here in our continuing efforts to upgrade the accuracy of our knowledge of the speciality.

Page No.	Correction	Reporters
20	N-58. Change " N' F' L' D " to " N F' L D "	197
25	MA-16a. After BERNIER, add " (&) "	142
25	MA-16b. After DIONNE, add " (-) "	16
30	MA-113. Change Latest " 1954 " to " 1957 "; no change in R.F.	151
50	Q-167B. Change " Ry. " to " RY. "	16
56	Q-249. Correct punctuation - " THREE•RIVERS•RAILWAY. "	242
63	O-56D Add " /R.P.O. " after " ARMSTRONG "	151
76	O-295 Change "pt." to "PT."	241
92	W-15A. Delete period after " BRED "	239
97	W-27F. Change " HATTIE " to " HATTE "	151
103	W-77C Change type from " 5H " to " 7B "	16
113	W-120J Change type from " 5H " to " 7B "	208
118	W-141Fa Change " COOKBEY " to " COOKSEY "	16
225	Change " COOKBEY " to " COOKSEY "	16
225	Change " HATTIE " to " HATTE "	151
240	Type 4D Change " Single line uninterrupted arc " to " Single line arc, with or without dot "	16

This completes Annex III and includes all outstanding reports as of this time of preparation. If we have missed some new data or report which you have sent in, please resubmit same for inclusion next year in Annex IV. Major portions of Annex III will be published in our Cowcatcher Column in the next issue of BNA TOPICS of BNAPS, while the whole Annex III will be sent to the current members of the BNAPS R.P.O. Study Group.

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That's all for now. See you at Calgary in September.

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